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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment/Response in the above-identified patent application.

[X] No additional fee is required.

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[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required to Deposit Account 11-0600. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

[] A petition for a ___ () month extension of time and Deposit Account authorization to cover the extension fee are enclosed.

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

SIR:

This communication is responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed October 25, 2006.

Applicants hereby elect the species of Group IV, i.e., the species shown in Fig.

4. Therefore, the applicants hereby elect claims 3 and 6, which are identified at page 3 of the Office Action as directed to the species of Group IV, for further prosecution in this application.

This election is made without prejudice to the filing of divisional application(s) directed to the claims of non-elected inventions.

Although not relevant to the current election, applicants believe that claim 1 should also belong to Group II because claim 2 which belongs to Group II is dependent on claim 1.

CONCLUSION

An action on the merits is respectfully requested.

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